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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

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1. Submission required under 37 CFR §1.114

a. ☒ Previously submitted

i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR §1.116 previously filed on February 14, 2003

(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

iii. ☐ Other _____

b. ☐ Enclosed

i. ☐ Amendment/Reply

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iv. ☐ Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR §1.103(c) for a period of _____ months (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR §1.17(i) required)

b. ☐ Other _____

3. Fees

The RCE fee under 37 CFR §1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR §1.114 when the RCE is filed.

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ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR §§1.136 and 1.17) 01 FC:1801 750.00 CH

iii. ☒ Other Any additional fees that may be required

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action mailed on March 6, 2003, Applicants respectfully point out that the Amendment as filed on February 14, 2003 was filed in compliance with Notice of *Amendments in a Revised Format Now Permitted*, signed January 31, 2003 and published in *Off. Gaz. Pat. Office* on February 25, 2003. The Notice allows "...claims to be made in a single marked-up version; the requirement for a clean version is eliminated." The Notice also states that, "effective immediately [January 31, 2003], all applicants may submit amendments in reply to Office actions using the following format..."

Applicants also enclose a Request for Continued Examination for consideration of the Amendment filed on February 14, 2003.

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